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STATEMENT

This is a reply to the Examiner's Answer mailed January 13, 2004.

ARGUMENT

Appellant notes that in the Examiner's Answer, Section (4), he states that "no amendment after final has been filed". While this is technically correct, Appellant did file a Response after final on January 27, 2003.

This Reply Brief and two copies is attached. If any additional fees are incurred, kindly charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 07-1340. Filed simultaneously, is Appellant's Request for Oral Hearing.

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